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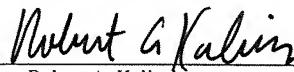
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated January 6, 2006, please consider and enter the amendments and remarks herein.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 5 of this paper.